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22.	शाजापुर	6	—
23.	सीहोर	2	—
24.	सेवनी	1	1
25.	दतिया	1	—
26.	सीधी	—	1
27.	टीकमगढ़	1	—
28.	उज्जैन	3	—
29.	विदिशा	2	—
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Formation of committee to study employment in semi-skilled sector

1145. SHRI YERRA NARAYANASWAMY: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that trade unions have requested the formation of a committee to study the level of employment in various semi-skilled sectors;

(b) if so, the details of such representations; and

(c) the steps Government propose to take for monitoring employment levels in semi-skilled sectors?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR (SHRI G. VENKAT SWAMY): (a) and (b) Suggestions have been received from various trade unions to conduct studies to ascertain the status of employment in India as a result of restructuring and liberalisation of the economy. However, no formal request has been received from the trade unions for setting up a committee to study the level of employment in various semi-skilled sectors.

(c) Expansion of employment opportunities has been an important objective of development planning including the 8th Five Year Plan. In order to achieve the targetted growth of employment, Government is constantly monitoring the employment level in various sectors of the economy.

Allocation of funds for Rural Employment and Development

1146. SHRI VAYALAR RAVI: Will the Minister of PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:

(a) the funds allocated for the Rural Employment and Rural Development during last year in the country, State-wise;

(b) the funds utilised during last year;

(c) the details thereof State-wise; and

(d) whether Government are checking the progress of the implementation thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI BALRAM SINGH YADAV): (a) to (c) The allocation and utilisation of funds under major rural employment and rural development programmes in the country (State-wise) during the last year is given in the appended statement. *[See appendix 176, Annexure No 46]*

(d) All efforts are being made to ensure proper implementation of various programmes in accordance with the guidelines issued. Further an effective system for monitoring the implementation of programmes has also been evolved through (a) periodical progress reports; (b) review meetings/workshops of project Directors of DRDA; (c) review meeting of Secretaries/Commissioners incharge of rural development of States; (d) meetings of State Level Coordination Committees; (e) field inspections by Senior Officers from the Centre under the Area Officer Scheme; and (f) Concurrent Evaluation of programmes. In addition the Department of Programme Implementation also monitors the progress of the major rural

employment and rural development programmes under the Twenty Point Programme.

Direct investment by Indians abroad.

1147. SHRI GOVINDRAO ADIK: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have prepared a set of guidelines for Indian investment in joint ventures and wholly owned subsidiaries abroad;

(b) whether Government have formed a Committee for this purpose; and

(c) if so, the details thereof including the guidelines prepared therein?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) to (c) Yes Sir. Government have revised the Guidelines for Indian investment in joint ventures and wholly owned subsidiaries abroad. The revised guidelines have been notified on 17.8.95. The salient features of these guidelines are as under:

(i) All applications for grant of approval for setting up of joint ventures/wholly owned subsidiaries abroad will now be made to and processed by the Reserve Bank of India (Exchange Control Department), Bombay.

(ii) The total investment by an Indian party under the fast track (Category "A") has been revised upward from US$ 2 million to US$ 4 million, provided the amount of investment is upto 25% of annual average export earnings of the company in the preceding three years, and the proposal is FE neutral over a period of five years. Out of the overall limit of US$ 4 million, the Indian party may opt for cash remittance or capitalisation of fees/royalties/export proceeds, or give loans or corporate guarantees.

(iii) Cases under the normal route (Category "B") i.e. cases involving investments beyond US$ 4 million but not exceeding US$ 15 million, or those not falling under the fast track category will be processed by RBI through a Special Committee, to be chaired by Commerce Secretary, with the Deputy Governor, RBI as the alternate Chairman. This Committee has since been constituted by the RBI, and has as members representatives of the Ministry of Commerce, Ministry of Finance, Ministry of External Affairs and the RBI.

(iv) Investment proposals in excess of US$ 15 million will be considered if the required resources beyond US$ 15 million are raised through the GDR route. Investment proposals beyond US$ 15 million without the GDR resources will be considered only in very exceptional circumstances where the company has a strong track record of exports. All cases involving investment beyond US$ 15 million will be received in the RBI and transmitted, with the recommendations of the Special Committee, to the Ministry of Finance for examination keeping in view the overall benefit.

(v) A final decision will be communicated by the RBI within 21 days in respect of applications under Category "A" and 60 days in respect of applications under Category "B".

(vi) In special cases involving acquisition through participation in time bound bidding/tender procedures, the RBI may grant "in principle" approval.

Subsidised wheat to Roller Flour Mills

1148. SHRI VIRENDRA KATARIA: will the Minister of FOOD be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that the roller flour mills getting wheat at